

DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 11-34 are allowed.
2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The present invention calls for a device and method of identifying a particular type of fluid based upon a comparison of temperature measurements. The prior art of record does not disclose nor render obvious a device that performs the temperature comparisons and the steps of the disclosed device. The specific timing required to make the required temperature measurements in order to obtain your liquid identification is not disclosed nor rendered obvious in view of the prior art of record.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

3. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. The examiner has cited various references deemed relevant to the general state of the art of the present invention.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to RODNEY T. FRANK whose telephone number is (571)272-2193. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 9-5:30 p.m. EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Hezron E. Williams can be reached on (571) 272-2208. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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